

GRADBACH SCOUT CAMP



ANNUAL REPORT 2024

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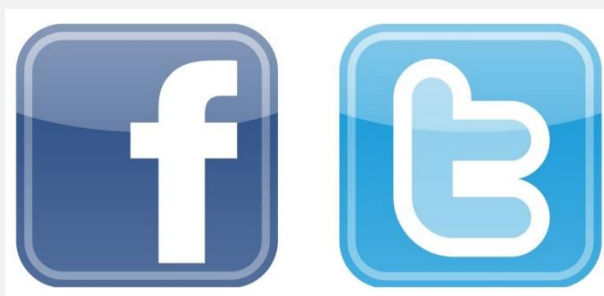
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Minutes of 20th Gradbach Scout Camp Annual General Meeting Held at Gradbach Scout Camp on Sunday 24th March 2024

Present :

Mark Babington (Chairman), Mark Rushworth (Camp Warden), John Pritchard (Treasurer), Simon Davies (Secretary), Mel Babington (Booking Secretary), Anthony Rushworth, John Bell-Winfrow, Ken Swift (17th Buxton), Paul Taylor (3rd Buxton)

Apologies:

Ian Potts (Auditor), Nick Ware, Paul Read,

Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the 19th Annual General Meeting were agreed as a true and correct record. Proposed by Anthony Rushworth, Seconded by Mel Babington.

Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

Ken Swift asked if prior to the meeting proceeding if we were going to ratify the new / existing constitution. Most present were unaware of what this involved. Mark R gave a quick explanation and had spoken to Sue Harris (County Commissioner / Acting High Peak Scouting District Commissioner) and informed us that we don't have to do anything until after 1st April. Mark was attending the High Peak Scouting AGM tomorrow and was tasked with providing the Gradbach Committee with any updated information.

Chairman:

Mark welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked all those present (and all those who had volunteered) for their valued contributions during the previous year. Mark apologised for not being around much in 2023 due to outside commitments, but commented on how humbling he found it to see what is continually done by the Gradbach team and District helpers. He commented on the upgrade works on the Den, but noted that it had been a year of keeping on top of things in an effort to increase the bank balance for the planned Farmhouse project.

Treasurer Report:

John reported on the site's operating year where being back to a steady turnover of bookings and smaller than normal 'project' work had led to us being able to make a substantial surplus. Camping especially had seen a resurgence with a record income taken from camping fees. 2023 was a very strong year financially for the site generating a net receipts over payments of £57k.

This was driven by a record year in terms of camping income representing £58k and also no major capital expenditures taking place during the year. Total income for the site was £114k, with customer income being split 57% camping, 30% Farmhouse, 10% Cottage and 3% Pods. Significant amounts of remedial maintenance and regulatory compliance was carried out during the year, the largest being a

new Den kitchen and major upgrade to the Den's electricals costing a total of £9k. The site started the year with total funds of £214k and ended the year with funds of £272k.

In summary, the funding position for the financial year was as follows:

Opening cash funds at the start of the year	£ 214,339
Receipts	£ 114,380
Less Expenditure	£ 57,148
Net of receipts/(payments)	£ 57,232
Closing cash funds at end of year	£ 271,571

Closing cash funds were made up of the following:

	2023	2022
Natwest Current A/C	£46,026.95	£37,393.66
CoOp Current A/C	£109,473.50	£62,981.50
Natwest Bonus Reserve	£37,510.68	£37,062.72
Nationwide Instant Saver	£77,965.79	£76,703.85
Petty Cash	£47.11	£10.91
Providor Float	£547.00	£186.00
Total closing cash funds	£271,571.03	£214,338.64

Total assets for use by Gradbach Scout Camp and belonging to the High Peak District Scout Council is estimated at a value of £2,591k, which consists of; buildings and contents: £2,161k, land: £390k, vehicles: £35k, other: £5k.

The accounts have been independently examined and agreed by Ian Potts and in addition to being approved at Gradbach Scout Camp's AGM, they will be presented to the High Peak District Scout Association's Executive Committee being the governing body for approval at its AGM. In addition John would be filing the accounts with the Charity Commission.

The meeting thanked John for his continued financial governance and helping to keep us all in check on the spending front.

Warden Report :

Mark reported that 2023 saw us further increase our visitor numbers, following the Covid shutdown of 2020/21. We are nearly back at 2019 levels.

The site hosted the 41st Border Hike, a WSJ county training camp, and many summer camps. To the end of 2023 we completed bookings totaling 99 farmhouse nights, 75 cottage nights, 106 camping pod nights and 9829 camping nights.

In addition to the usual compliance and servicing works, larger maintenance works were completed at the site during 2023, included the progression of the farmhouse development to the detailed design and tendering stage. Unfortunately, we are just a bit short on funds to commence work on the project this year. Further improvements have been made to our site water distribution system, including a new water pipe to site 7 and a new kitchen installed in the Den- this has really improved the facilities for our duty wardens.

The Duty Warden rota ran from Easter until the end of October and a huge thanks to all our old and new friends who joined us as duty wardens.

Mark thanked everyone involved with the site, in particular, Mel Babington who as our booking secretary is the first contact most of our customers have with the site and customers always speak highly of Mel and how helpful she is 😊 Thanks very much Mel. Also, to Simon Davies for looking after our social media presence and generating interest in the site. Thanks to our committee, chaired by Mark Babington, to our Treasurer John Pritchard, Secretary Simon Davies, to Charlotte Rushworth for taking on the running of our Providore, Will Ingleby for running our website and to our technical team of Tony, Nick and young John who expertly look after everything 'technical'. Thanks also go to the Gradbach Committee who continue to play a valuable role in helping guide the site into the future, following recent challenging times.

We have been blighted by many trees on site, suffering from Ash Dieback and these are being managed on a continual basis. A huge thanks to Pete & Ruth Pollard who have taken the lead on this project and to the staff who then turn it into logs for our wood burners. On the plus side it has saved our fuel bill!

2024 looks like it will be another busy year, with us hosting the Wallaboree in May and our building bookings have already nearly surpassed the 2023 level. We have already held another successful 'Chilly Challenge' camp, where 140 campers survived near freezing temperatures.

Nomination of the Committee Members:

Camp Warden:	Mark Rushworth : Appointed by the District Executive Committee
Chairman:	Mark Babington: Nominated by Mark Rushworth Seconded by Paul Read
Secretary:	Simon Davies: Nominated by Ken Swift Seconded by Anthony Rushworth
Treasurer:	John Pritchard: Nominated by Anthony Rushworth Seconded by Mel Babington
Booking Secretary:	Mel Babington: Nominated by Simon Davies Seconded by Mark Rushworth
Council Members:	Nick Ware, Anthony Rushworth, Paul Read, John Bell-Winfrow, Ken Swift and Paul Taylor were all elected on bloc by those present at the meeting.

As of June 2021 the Gradbach / HPDS Constitutions had been revised whereby the remainder of the Gradbach Scout Camp Committee was elected as 'Council Members' to facilitate charity commission requirements. As such each of the HPDS groups would not have an elected member on the Gradbach Scout Camp Committee. If desired they would however be welcome at our meetings and it was agreed that the Gradbach Secretary would still send them copies of our minutes for information. Outside of that they would have the opportunity to be updated / involved in the Gradbach goings on at HPDS District Executive Meetings.

District Commissioner:

None as the position was currently vacant.

Any Other Business:

Anthony Rushworth suggested that the AGM should be open to others outside of the committee to attend and that it should be advertised as such. Mark R said that this could be done in the future via the D.C. using Compass. Simon could also advertise the AGM on our Facebook page.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 2.35pm



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Chairman's Report 2024

Another busy year has been and gone. Once again, our volunteer staff have been very productive. The site is generally looking excellent and well maintained.

Because of significant personal commitments I must confess that I have not spent much time at Gradbach over the last year.

That said the team always seem to manage very well without me.

This year has largely been another year of hold and contain where expenditure has largely been limited to essential services and compliance issues. The goal being to accumulate sufficient funds to carry out the planned works to the Farmhouse in 2026. The Farmhouse project is poised and ready to go as soon as the funds are in place.

There have been a few subtle changes in number restrictions over the last year in order to manage the site better and limit the disruption to our neighbours, I suspect we will see the effect of that in the finance numbers but we have to put the site and the surroundings before money sometimes.

Many thanks to Mark Rushworth for his devotion to the Warden role and of course all of the other volunteers who turn up rain or shine to keep the site the way we all love it.

Mark Babington
Gradbach Chairman



Treasurer's Report 2024

Report for the Year Ending 31st December 2024

2024 was another very good year financially for the site generating a net receipts over payments of £67k (2023: £57k). This was driven by another strong year of camping income of £56k (2023: £58k) being similar to the previous year, and income from the Farmhouse and Cottage increasing on the previous year's being £36k (2023: £29k) and £16k (2023: £11k) respectively.

Total expenditure was £61k (2023: £57k). The main items of expenditure included £18k on remedial maintenance, £6k on the Rover Den stairs project, £15k on energy and fuel being significantly higher than the previous year figure of £9k due to coming out of a fixed term electricity contract. No major capital expenditures took place during the year.

Total income for the site was £128k (2023: £114k), with customer income being split 50% camping, 32% Farmhouse, 14% Cottage and 4% Pods. The site started the year with total funds of £272k and ended the year with funds of £339k which gives a solid foundation for the planned Farmhouse extension project.

In summary, the funding position for the financial year was as follows:

Opening cash funds at the start of the year	£ 271,571.03
Receipts	£ 128,220.58
Less Expenditure	£ 60,725.13
Net of receipts/(payments)	£ 67,495.45
Closing cash funds at end of year	£ 339,066.48

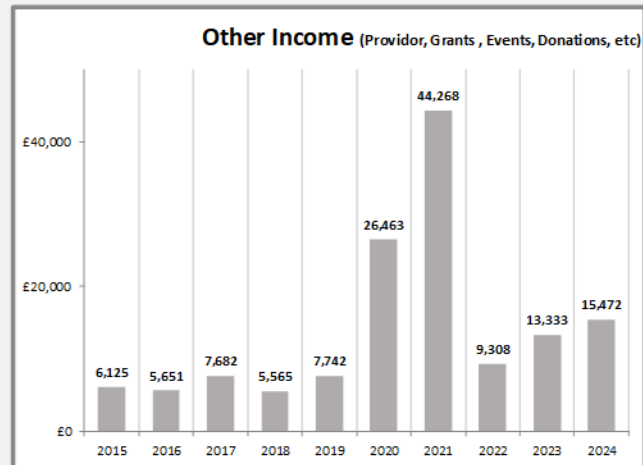
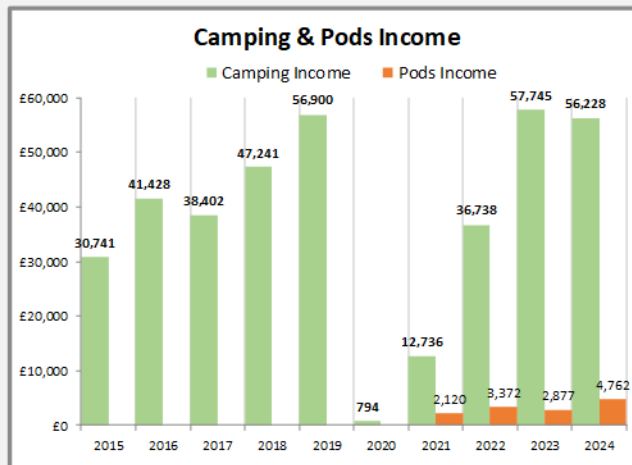
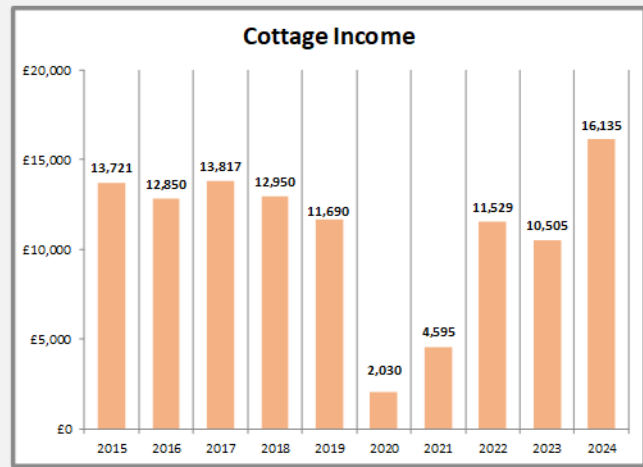
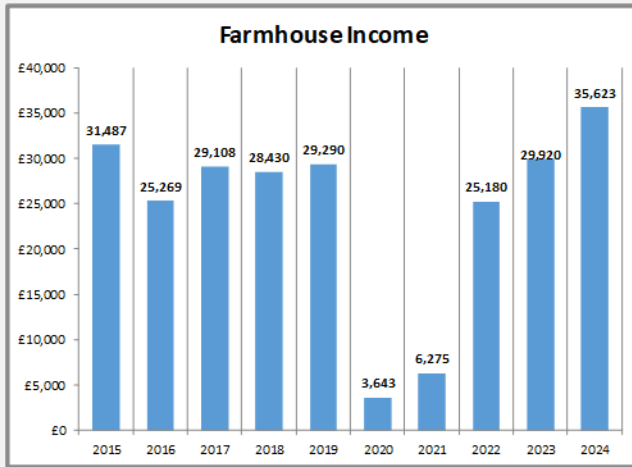
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CoOp Current A/C	£160,846.89	£109,473.50
Natwest Bonus Reserve	£38,054.84	£37,510.68
Natwest Liquidity Manager 95 Day Account	£10.02	£0.00
Nationwide Instant Saver	£79,675.34	£77,965.79
Petty Cash	£78.29	£47.11
Providor Float	£453.00	£547.00
Total closing cash funds	£339,066.48	£271,571.03

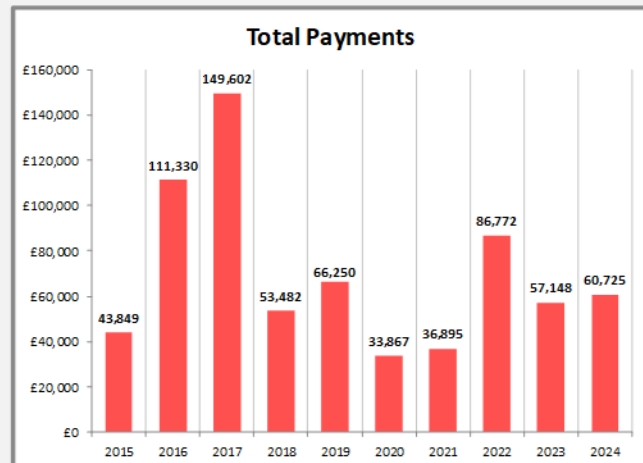
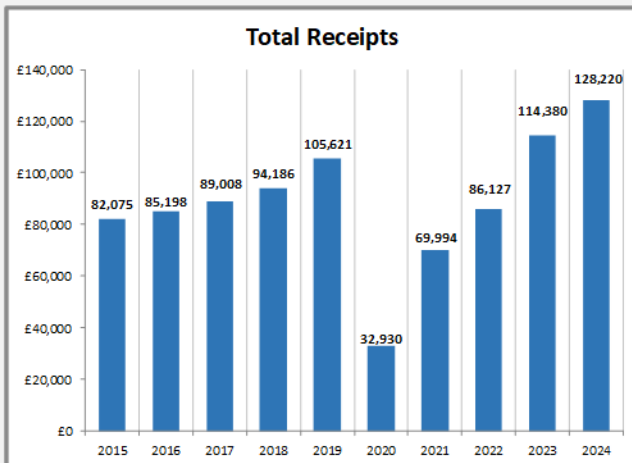
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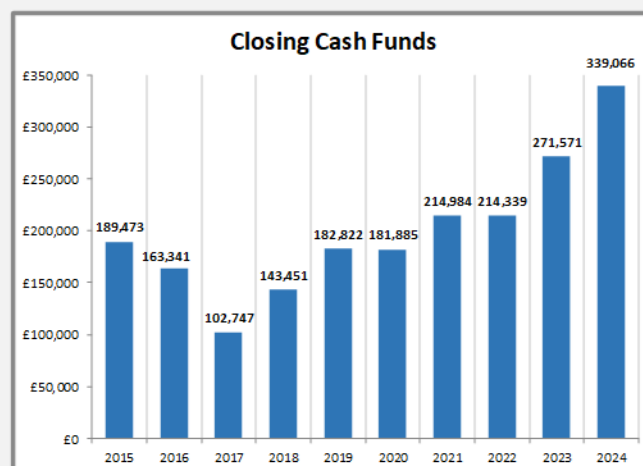
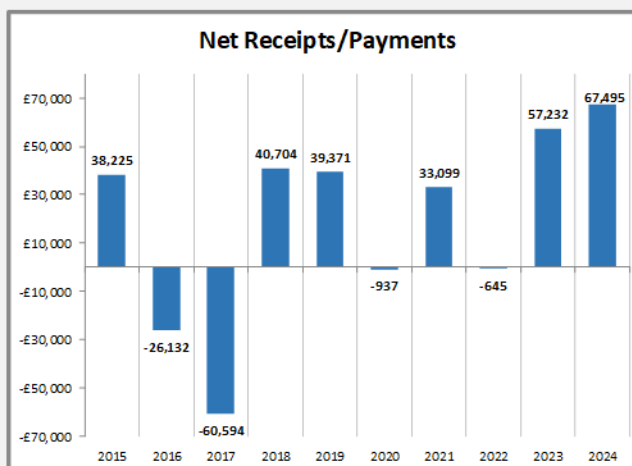
John Pritchard FCCA
Treasurer Gradbach Scout Camp



2020 Includes £26k Covid Assistance Grants
2021 Includes £33k Covid Assistance Grants and £11k Grants towards Camping Pods



2016 Includes £60k expenditure on Workshop
2017 Includes £44k expenditure on Workshop and £49k on FH Extension Groundworks
2022 Includes £37k new Borehole





Charity Name	No
Gradbach Scout Camp	1036642

Financial Statements

For the period from	1st January 2024	31st December 2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds General Camp £'s	Unrestricted funds XXXXX £'s	Unrestricted funds Total £'s	Last year Total £'s
A1 Receipts				
Farmhouse	35,623.00		35,623.00	30,650.00
Farmhouse - Refunds				-730.00
Cottage	16,135.00		16,135.00	10,625.00
Cottage - Refunds				-120.00
Pods	4,957.00		4,957.00	2,877.00
Pods Refunds	-195.00		-195.00	
Camping	56,228.13		56,228.13	57,744.57
Camping - Refunds				
Provider	5,002.40		5,002.40	4,355.59
Donations	5,196.32		5,196.32	4,148.00
Interest	2,253.73		2,253.73	1,709.90
Marquee Hire				
Misc				
Border Hike Entry Fees	3,020.00		3,020.00	3,120.00
Sub total	128,220.58		128,220.58	114,380.06
A2 Asset and investment sales, etc.				
Total receipts	128,220.58		128,220.58	114,380.06
A3 Payments				
Repairs and Maintenance	17,674.98		17,674.98	13,585.36
Refurbish Den Kitchen and Electrics				8,969.07
Den Stairs Project	5,843.13		5,843.13	
Energy & Fuel	15,374.45		15,374.45	8,501.83
Insurance	3,897.96		3,897.96	3,404.36
Cleaning	3,641.45		3,641.45	3,717.50
Admin	901.39		901.39	1,044.85
Staff Food	452.89		452.89	387.03
Telephone & Internet	1,018.18		1,018.18	912.99
Rates & Waste	2,042.63		2,042.63	1,986.62
Provider	3,146.14		3,146.14	2,712.02
Misc	486.21		486.21	895.21
Donations				
District Events (surplus) / deficit	-203.54		-203.54	-52.60
Border Hike Expenses	1,966.47		1,966.47	2,347.39
Sub total	56,242.34		56,242.34	48,411.63
A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc.				
Camping Pods				2,095.44
Farmhouse Extension				3,469.87
Honda HRN Mower				799.00
Log Splitter				550.00
Cooker for Farmhouse	1,725.99		1,725.99	
Ifor Williams GD85 Trailer	2,756.80		2,756.80	
Cooker for Cottage				1,821.73
Total payments	60,725.13		60,725.13	57,147.67
Net of receipts/(payments)	67,495.45		67,495.45	57,232.39
A5 Transfers between funds				
A6 Cash funds last year end	271,571.03		271,571.03	214,338.64
Cash funds this year end	339,066.48		339,066.48	271,571.03

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds	Unrestricted funds General Camp	Unrestricted funds XXXXX	Unrestricted funds Total	Last year Total
	£'s	£'s	£'s	£'s
Natwest Current A/C	59,948.10		59,948.10	46,026.95
CoOp Current A/C	160,846.89		160,846.89	109,473.50
Natwest Bonus Reserve A/C	38,054.84		38,054.84	37,510.68
Natwest Liquidity Manager 95 Day Account	10.02		10.02	
Nationwide Instant Saver	79,675.34		79,675.34	77,965.79
Petty Cash	78.29		78.29	47.11
Provider Float	453.00		453.00	547.00
Total cash funds	339,066.48		339,066.48	271,571.03
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B2 Other monetary assets	Unrestricted funds General Camp	Unrestricted funds XXXXX	Unrestricted funds Total	Last year Total
Shown at Current Value	£'s	£'s	£'s	£'s
Details				

B3 Investment assets	Unrestricted funds General Camp	Unrestricted funds XXXXX	Unrestricted funds Total	Last year Total
Shown at Current Value	£'s	£'s	£'s	£'s
Details				

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Unrestricted funds General Camp	Unrestricted funds XXXXX	Unrestricted funds Total	Last year Total
Details	£'s	£'s	£'s	£'s
For use by the Gradbach Scout Camp and belonging to the High Peak District Scout Council				
Farmhouse ^a	942,089.02		942,089.02	913,762.39
Cottage ^a	435,480.29		435,480.29	422,386.31
Rover Den ^a	362,900.24		362,900.24	351,988.59
Toilet & Shower Block ^a	362,900.24		362,900.24	351,988.59
Workshop ^a	72,580.05		72,580.05	70,397.72
Building Contents ^a	26,945.11		26,945.11	26,678.33
Camping Pods x2 ^a	12,446.47		12,446.47	12,323.24
Workshop Contents ^a	3,368.94		3,368.94	3,335.58
Water Pumphouse Contents ^a	8,082.89		8,082.89	8,002.86
Ivor Williams Trailer (purch Sept '09 disposed Sept '24)				2,666.75
Brederup Box Trailer (purch Apr '13) ^a	2,021.31		2,021.31	2,001.29
Aerator (purch Mar 17) ^c	200.00		200.00	400.00
Kawasaki Mule (purch April 17) ^a	7,500.00		7,500.00	7,500.00
Case Tractor - MX19 GBY (purch June '19) ^a	23,000.00		23,000.00	23,000.00
Fleming Mower (purch June '19) ^c	500.00		500.00	944.00
Honda HRN Mower (purch Feb 23) ^c	300.00		300.00	639.00
Log Splitter (purch Feb 23) ^c	300.00		300.00	440.00
Ifor Williams GD85 Trailer (purch Sept '24) c	4,000.00			
Gradbach Provider Stock ^b	2,156.31		2,156.31	2,683.27
Camping Grounds ^c	390,000.00		390,000.00	390,000.00
Total assets	2,656,770.87		2,652,770.87	2,591,137.92

B5 Liabilities	Unrestricted funds General Camp	Unrestricted funds XXXXX	Unrestricted funds Total	Last year Total
Shown at Current Value	£'s	£'s	£'s	£'s
Details				

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

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Provider Float	453.00		453.00	547.00
Total cash funds	339,066.48		339,066.48	271,571.03
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B2 Other monetary assets	Unrestricted funds General Camp	Unrestricted funds XXXXXX	Unrestricted funds Total	Last year Total
	£'s	£'s	£'s	£'s
Shown at Current Value				
Details				

B3 Investment assets	Unrestricted funds General Camp	Unrestricted funds XXXXXX	Unrestricted funds Total	Last year Total
	£'s	£'s	£'s	£'s
Shown at Current Value				
Details				

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Unrestricted funds General Camp	Unrestricted funds XXXXXX	Unrestricted funds Total	Last year Total
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Ifor Williams GD85 Trailer (purch Sept '24) ^c	4,000.00			
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Camping Grounds ^c	390,000.00		390,000.00	390,000.00
Total assets	2,656,770.87		2,652,770.87	2,591,137.92

B5 Liabilities	Unrestricted funds General Camp	Unrestricted funds XXXXXX	Unrestricted funds Total	Last year Total
	£'s	£'s	£'s	£'s
Shown at Current Value				
Details				

Camp Warden Report 2024

2024 saw us have another good year with visitor numbers back at normal levels. The site hosted the 42nd Border Hike, our 'Wallaboree' District Camp and a number of summer camps. To the end of 2024 we completed bookings, totaling 105 Farmhouse nights, 82 Cottage nights, 135 Camping Pod nights and 8768 Camping nights. The year has presented some challenges in managing these numbers and balancing this out with our facilities, our volunteers, neighbourly relations etc and the impact of increased public visitors in the area. To this end we have had to look at capping numbers staying at the site in 2025

In addition to the usual compliance and servicing works, other maintenance works completed at the site during 2024, included the installation of stairs in the den. Progression of the farmhouse development has temporally stalled whilst we save additional funds to commence work on the project, but slowly we are getting there.

The Duty Warden rota ran from Easter until the end of October and a huge thanks to all our old and new friends who joined us as Duty Wardens. The feedback we always get from customers is how helpful and friendly our staff are, so give yourselves a 'big pat on the back' The rota for 2025 is now available and filling up fast, so please feel free to volunteer for a weekend or two !

I would like to thank everyone involved with the site, in particular I would like to mention: Mel Babington, our booking secretary who continues to do a sterling job as the first point of contact with our customers. Thanks very much Mel. Also, to Simon Davies for looking after our social media presence and covering for Mel and myself when we are away on our many holidays!

Thanks to our committee, chaired by Mark Babington, to our Treasurer John Pritchard, Secretary Simon Davies, to Charlotte Rushworth for taking on the running of our Providore, Will Ingleby for running our website and to our technical team of Tony and young John who expertly look after everything 'technical'. My thanks also go to the Gradbach Committee who continue to play a valuable role in helping guide the site to it becoming a Trustee Board during 2024. Thanks go to Nick Ware who has been a committee member for many years and is stepping down at this AGM. Nick has been the 'driving force' behind many of our site development projects over the years and knows he is very welcome at Gradbach anytime.

We continue to be blighted by our many trees on site. In addition to the ongoing Ash Dieback issue, we were served with an enforcement notice from the Forestry Commission to remove around a dozen larch trees in our woodland opposite the Staffordshire Wildlife Trust infected woodland. A huge thanks to Pete & Ruth Pollard who have taken the lead on this project and to the staff who then turn it into logs for our wood burners. On the plus side we have yet to purchase timber for our wood burners !

2025 looks like it will be another busy year, with our building bookings looking healthy and a number of summer camps booked in. We have already held another successful 'Chilly Challenge' camp, where 140 campers survived near freezing temperatures. We do have to be mindful of the challenges we face as we move forwards, to make sure we recruit the next generation of site staff to run the site for future generations of young people.

Mark Rushworth

Gradbach Camp Warden

42nd Border Hike : Gradbach 2024

On the weekend of 20th to 22nd September 2024, the Border Hike and John Bradbury Trophy event was run again at Gradbach Scout Camp, with Scouts attending from all over the country.

Border Hike and John Bradbury teams walk in teams of four and had to navigate their way around a nine-mile route, with incidents along the way. We again had 50 teams entered the event, after some team changes and cancellations 46 teams walked the event.

The teams arrived at Gradbach during Friday evening and set up camp. On checking in at Event Control they were given a kit inspection time and a start time for the following morning. Hike control was located in the farmhouse and with the high number of teams, the booking in process was allocated to two parallel briefing sessions by Mr Davies and Mr Woodroffe, this worked very well and reduced long waiting times.

At the early morning start the Explorer teams had their kit checked and were sent them off following the orienteering briefing on a 2-hour orienteering exercise. Once all the Explorers had started the Scouts then had their kit checked. We had an ankle injury in the woods, this was dealt with by the first aiders and staff in the woods. The young person was transported back to HQ, all required paper work completed and the explorer was reunited with their leaders.

The Scout teams were then given the route in Control and sent to the marquee to plan their route and have it verified. The Explorers followed the same process once they were back from the orienteering.

The teams completed 4 incidents around the hike. The incidents all went very well, our thanks go to Emma Wilson and Mike Wilson for providing them.

All the teams finished the Hike and all got back to Gradbach by late afternoon, all were in good spirits. The last teams out had to walk back in a thunder storm which was not ideal. On return all teams were offered soup and snacks by Nick and his team.

Our thanks go to James, Ash and Dan of Derbyshire Scouts Communication Team for their efforts in keeping us all in contact via the radios, the thunder storm did not help them when the mast at drum hill was hit and damaged equipment.

On Saturday evening entertainment was provide in the marquee for the staff, leaders and other participants with a cinema (the cinema attendance was good).

On Sunday Morning, we held our "Scouts Own" service in the marque due to the inclement weather. The service was run by the local Explorers many thanks go to all, after the Scouts Own the Presentation followed in the Marque with Gyles Wren ACC.

Finally, a thanks to Nick and his team for keeping all the staff fed and watered for the weekend and Katie Rushworth for providing the First Aid cover for the event.

This year's winners were: -

Border Hike – 3rd Buxton Scouts

John Bradbury Trophy – Solomons Explorers

Joanna Knowles Trophy (Highest placed local team) – Solomons ESU/3rd Buxton Scouts

Many thanks to all staff and scouters who helped during the weekend.

In 2025 the hike committee will be advertising for new members as a number of the existing committee feel it is time to hang up their compass and pass the event onto the next generation. So, if you are interested in any roles, please let me know (borderhike@gradbachscoutcamp.org.uk).

Many thanks to the whole of the committee for 2024 and a special thanks to the retiring committee members you will all be missed.

Tony Rushworth : Hike Controller



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Charity Name	No
Gradbach Scout Camp	1036642

Financial Statements

For the period from	1st January 2024	31st December 2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds General Camp £'s	Unrestricted funds XXXXX £'s	Unrestricted funds Total £'s	Last year Total £'s
A1 Receipts				
Farmhouse	35,623.00		35,623.00	30,650.00
Farmhouse - Refunds				-730.00
Cottage	16,135.00		16,135.00	10,625.00
Cottage - Refunds				-120.00
Pods	4,957.00		4,957.00	2,877.00
Pods Refunds	-195.00		-195.00	
Camping	56,228.13		56,228.13	57,744.57
Camping - Refunds				
Providor	5,002.40		5,002.40	4,355.59
Donations	5,196.32		5,196.32	4,148.00
Interest	2,253.73		2,253.73	1,709.90
Marquee Hire				
Misc				
Border Hike Entry Fees	3,020.00		3,020.00	3,120.00
Sub total	128,220.58		128,220.58	114,380.06
A2 Asset and investment sales, etc.				
Total receipts	128,220.58		128,220.58	114,380.06
A3 Payments				
Repairs and Maintenance	17,674.98		17,674.98	13,585.36
Refurbish Den Kitchen and Electrics				8,969.07
Den Stairs Project	5,843.13		5,843.13	
Energy & Fuel	15,374.45		15,374.45	8,501.83
Insurance	3,897.96		3,897.96	3,404.36
Cleaning	3,641.45		3,641.45	3,717.50
Admin	901.39		901.39	1,044.85
Staff Food	452.89		452.89	387.03
Telephone & Internet	1,018.18		1,018.18	912.99
Rates & Waste	2,042.63		2,042.63	1,986.62
Providor	3,146.14		3,146.14	2,712.02
Misc	486.21		486.21	895.21
Donations				
District Events (surplus) / deficit	-203.54		-203.54	-52.60
Border Hike Expenses	1,966.47		1,966.47	2,347.39
Sub total	56,242.34		56,242.34	48,411.63
A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc.				
Camping Pods				2,095.44
Farnhouse Extension				3,469.87
Honda HRN Mower				799.00
Log Splitter				550.00
Cooker for Farmhouse	1,725.99		1,725.99	
Ifor Williams GD85 Trailer	2,756.80		2,756.80	
Cooker for Cottage				1,821.73
Total payments	60,725.13		60,725.13	57,147.67
Net of receipts/(payments)	67,495.45		67,495.45	57,232.39
A5 Transfers between funds				
A6 Cash funds last year end	271,571.03		271,571.03	214,338.64
Cash funds this year end	339,066.48		339,066.48	271,571.03

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1st March 2025

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Gradbach Scout Camp

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Gradbach Scout camp for the year ended 31st December 2024

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust (Gradbach Scout Camp) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act')

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act: or
- 2. The accounts do not accord with those records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 1st March 2024